

STATE OF TENNESSEE

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 439

HOUSE BILL NO. 588

By Representative Coleman

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 783

By Senator Overbey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40, relative to criminal offenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-18-110, is amended by adding the following as new subsections:

(f) An offense is a lesser included offense if:

(1) All of its statutory elements are included within the statutory elements of the offense charged;

(2) The offense is facilitation of the offense charged or of an offense that otherwise meets the definition of lesser included offense in subdivision (f)(1);

(3) The offense is an attempt to commit the offense charged or an offense that otherwise meets the definition of lesser included offense in subdivision (f)(1); or

(4) The offense is solicitation to commit the offense charged or an offense that otherwise meets the definition of lesser included offense in subdivision (f)(1).

(g)

(1) Second degree murder is a lesser included offense of first degree murder as defined in § 39-13-202.

(2) Voluntary manslaughter is a lesser included offense of premeditated first degree murder and second degree murder.

(3) Aggravated sexual battery is a lesser included offense of aggravated rape.

(4) Sexual battery and sexual battery by an authority figure are lesser included offenses of rape and aggravated rape.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: June 9, 2009


KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 23rd day of June 2009


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR